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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 780
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A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Erica McCoy, 2002
Valedictorian of Sevier County High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who, through their natural talents and tireless commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Erica McCoy is one such exceptional student who was recently named Valedictorian of the 2002 graduating class at Sevier County High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and unwavering commitment of time and talent, Ms. McCoy has achieved outstanding academic success and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our Nation; and

WHEREAS, in her remarkable high school career, she has earned an exemplary 4.0 Grade Point Average; and

WHEREAS, during her four years at Sevier County High School, Erica McCoy has been a valuable member of many programs and clubs, including the Beta Club, the Interact Club, the

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Teen Volunteer Network, the Junior Classical League, 4-H, and the Fellowship of Christian Athletes; and

WHEREAS, Ms. McCoy has demonstrated tremendous athletic ability as a talented member of the Sevier County High School Varsity Basketball, Cross-Country, and Track Teams; she has been a vital member of Amateur Athletic Union Basketball, Dixie Stampede All-Tournament Team, District IV-AAA All-Tournament Team, All-Region Tournament Team, and All-District IV-AAA team and All-State Honorable Mention honors; and

WHEREAS, her extraordinary work ethic and commitment to learning have earned her numerous awards and honors, including the Academic Excellence Award, the Chemistry Award, the Personal Computing Award, the Wellness Award, membership in the National Honor Society, Prudential Spirit of Community Award, the Rotary Youth Leadership Award, the Covenant Platinum Award, Certificate of Volunteerism for "Taste of Autumn," Best Offensive Player-Bealettes honors, selection as the Most Valuable Player for the Region 2-AAA Basketball Tournament, Best Free Throw honors, selection as Radio Voice "Star of the Year," and selection as her school's Volunteer Girls' State Alternate; and

WHEREAS, Erica McCoy is a devout member of the First Baptist Church of Sevierville, where she faithfully serves in the Youth Group, Youth Choir, and Teen Board; and

WHEREAS, Ms. McCoy's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition as a student at Sevier County High School surely bodes well for her future success; and

WHEREAS, her noteworthy achievement is a great source of pride for her parents, Eric and Lisa McCoy, her school, and her community; and

WHEREAS, Erica McCoy's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, That we hereby commend and honor 2002 Sevier County High School

Valedictorian, Erica McCoy, on her impressive academic achievements, and extend to her our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.